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1265.0 ABS Classification of Qualifications - Manual Coding System, 1993 (\$30.60)

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4103.0 Population Survey Monitor, Australia, 1993 (\$10.00)

The Population Survey Monitor is an omnibus household survey vehicle which collects data on a wide and varied range of topics each quarter. Topics included in the August 1993 survey are Sport and Recreation Participation, Consumer Expectations, Women's Employment Patterns and Awareness of ABS Products and Services.

4123.2 Victoria's Young People, 1991 (\$12.50)

Provides a range of statistics on Victoria's young people. Compiled mainly from the 1991 Census data, the profile includes sections on population, cultural diversity, living arrangements, education, working life and income.

4123.3 Queensland's Young People, 1991 (\$12.50)

Provides a range of statistics on Queensland's young people. Compiled mainly from 1991 Census data, the profile includes sections on population, cultural diversity, living arrangements, education, working life and income.

8221.7 Manufacturing Industry, Northern Territory, 1989-90 (\$10.50)

Presents final results from the Manufacturing Census for the Northern Territory, Details of the number of establishments; employment; wages and salaries paid and turnover are shown, classified by industry class. Also contains data on employment size and selected structural data for broad regions. This 1989-90 issue, contains additional data on components of value added, purchases, selected expenses, stocks and capital expenditure.



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